

**THE ASHTABULA YACHT CLUB PRESENTS:**

***“WHAT EVERY BOATER SHOULD KNOW ABOUT  
MARITIME LAW ON LAKE ERIE”***

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**TOPICS WILL INCLUDE:**

RULES OF THE ROAD & CHARTS

- Inland Rules of the United States  
<http://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=navRuleChanges>
- Lights and Shapes  
<http://www.otenmaritime.com/international-collision-regulations> (Part C - Rule 30)  
<http://www.bosunsmate.org/seamanship/lights.php>
- Ohio Rules of Navigation  
<http://watercraft.ohiodnr.gov/laws/ohio-boat-operators-guide>
- Rule 2  
<http://www.otenmaritime.com/international-collision-regulations>
- Avoid Risk of Collision
- Chart: A Map Showing Features (as coasts, currents, and shoals) of importance to sailors
- Ashtabula Harbor Entrance Light  
<http://www.charts.noaa.gov/OnLineViewer/14836.shtml>

NOTE: Characteristics

<http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/staff/chartpubs.html>

- Chart #1  
<http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/mcd/chart1/ChartNo1.pdf>
- Cleveland Harbor Chart  
<http://www.charts.noaa.gov/OnLineViewer/14839.shtml>

PURCHASE OF A BOAT

- Survey
- Buyer Beware
- Ohio Consumer Sales Practices Act
- Duty of Reveal Defects

WEATHER

- Near Coastal NOAA  
<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/marine/zone/gtlakes/clemz.htm>  
<http://forecast.weather.gov/shmrn.php?mz=lez149>

- Buoys and Stations  
<http://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/maps/EastGL.shtml>

### DUTY TO PASSENGERS

- Reasonable Care Under Existing Circumstances and Conditions

### FUELING YOUR VESSEL

- Follow Safe Procedures  
[http://boatingbasicsonline.com/content/general/5\\_6.htm](http://boatingbasicsonline.com/content/general/5_6.htm)

### SALVAGE

- Salvage Agreement
- Towing vs. Salvage
- Seize Boat
- Maritime Lien

### BOARDING BY ODNR

- Need a Reason
- Do as Instructed
- Remain Calm

### BOARDING BY USCG

- Do Not Need a Reason (14 U.S. Code § 89)
- Military Approach
- Refuse Test Guilty
- Civil Penalty Process

### FBI

- Potential Indicators of Terrorist Activities